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1. The drilling section of Wismut SAG, Object 96, in Bannewitz near Froital, Saxony, comprises 15 derricks. The derricks drill between 500 and 600 meters deep in search of uranium ore. The drill pipes have a three-meter-long core barrel, which is screwed together with the core bit.
2. Boring samples obtained in the drilling operations are collected and taken away by Russian geologists. Examination has revealed that there is active uranium ore in Bannewitz. For this reason, two pits are to be dug. Uranium ore is being mined from the Heidenschance pit in Froital. This is then taken to the new factory in Gitterasse and washed. Every three days, six 3.5-metric ton trucks leave the area laden with ore.
3. The inhabitants of Niedergitterschnee must move, because 150 derricks are going to be set up there. The farmers whose land is being confiscated will receive no compensation.
4. Each derrick has a nine-man crew, one drill foreman, and two attendants. A chief foreman is in charge of seven derricks. One chief section leader is in charge of five chief foremen and one section leader. There are three shifts at work. Drilling goes on twenty-four hours a day.

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